## **PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, April 2021 marks the 53<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the passage of Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, known as the Federal Fair Housing Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Fair Housing Act makes it illegal to deny housing based on race, color, religion, national origin, disability, sex and family status; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the State of Oregon remain in cooperative agreement in recognition of the federal funding and state partnership through the Fair Housing Assistance Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Oregon Bureau of Labor and Industries (BOLI) and the laws of our nation and state seek to ensure equality of choice for all transactions involving housing; and

**WHEREAS**, in recognition of these achievements, April is declared Fair Housing Month in Oregon, and only through continued cooperation, commitment and support, can barriers to the enjoyment of this and other aspects of equality of opportunity for all be removed.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Randy Sparacino, Mayor of the City of Medford, do hereby proclaim April 2021 as

## FAIR HOUSING MONTH

in the City of Medford and urge all citizens to join us in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 1<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2021.

Randy Sparacino Mayor of Medford